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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA

Case No.: 2:11-cv-00149-GMN-PAL

MOTION TO QUASH SERVICE OF **PROCESS**

Specially Appearing Defendants IBM LENDER BUSINESS PROCESS SERVICES ("IBM LBPS") and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS ("MERS"), by and through their counsel of record, MICHAEL R. BROOKS, ESQ. of the law firm BROOKS BAUER LLP, hereby make a special appearance and do not waive any procedural or jurisdictional defenses that may be available under the law. IBM LBPS and MERS make this appearance for the limited purpose of requesting an Order quashing service based upon Plaintiff's failure to serve these Defendants as required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(h). In support of their Motion, IBM LBPS and MERS represent as follows: ///

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I.

INTRODUCTION

Plaintiff has failed to serve the Summons and Complaint upon Defendants IBM LBPS and MERS in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(h). First Class U.S. Mail is not an appropriate means of service. As a result, the Defendants hereby make this special appearance and request that this Court quash the defective service and require Plaintiff appropriately effectuate service before any action affecting the rights of these Defendants be taken in this litigation.

II.

FACTS

On or about January 28, 2011, Plaintiff Ellery J. Pettit filed a civil complaint against IBM LBPS, MERS, and various other defendants (the "Complaint"), which initiated case no. 2:11-cv-00149-GMN-PAL before this Court. Also on January 28, 2011, the Clerk of the Federal District Court issued a summons in a civil action to each IBM LBPS and MERS (the "Summons").

On or about February 22, 2011, Plaintiff filed a certificate of mailing with the Court, which indicates, "on February 3, 2011, [Rebecca Goodwin] deposited for mailing via First Class U.S. Mail, with postage fully prepaid, a true and correct copy of the Summons and Complaint in envelopes addressed to" IBM LBPS, MERS, and various other Defendants. A true and correct copy of the Certificate of Mailing is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". IBM LBPS and MERS have not been served by the Plaintiff in any other manner.

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ANALYSIS

Plaintiff has not effectuated service upon IBM LBPS and MERS in accordance with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 4(h). Rule 4(h) provides various methods for service upon a corporation, partnership, or association, but First Class U.S. Mail is not permissible.

Although the Plaintiff is appearing before this Court in proper person, she must comply with this Court's rules governing proper service of Defendants.

IV.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, IBM LBPS and MERS, pursuant to their special appearance, request that the Court enter an Order quashing the defective service upon these Defendants for the reasons stated above. IBM LBPS and MERS further request that this Court enter an Order requiring Plaintiff to appropriately effectuate service as required by statute before any action affecting the rights of these Defendants be taken in this litigation.

DATED this 9th day of March, 2011.

BROOKS BAUER LLP

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am employed in the County of Clark, State of Nevada, am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action. My business address is that of Brooks Bauer LLP, 300 S. 4th Street, Suite 815, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

On this day, I served the above and foregoing MOTION TO QUASH SERVICE on the parties in said action or proceeding by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope, addressed as follows:

Ellery J. Pettit 6868 SkyPointe Drive #2136 Las Vegas, Nevada 89131 Plaintiff

and placing the envelope in the mail bin at the firm's office.

I am readily familiar with the firm's practice of collection and processing of correspondence for mailing. Under that practice, it is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the same day it is placed in the mail bin, with postage thereon fully prepaid at Las Vegas, Nevada, in the ordinary course of business. I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this Certificate of Service was executed by me on the 9th day of March, 2011 at Las Vegas, NV.

> /s/ Misty Wolverton An Employee of BROOKS BAUER LLP

EXHIBIT "A"

CERT 1 **ELLERY J. PETITI** 2011 FEB 22 A 9:28 2 6868 SKYPOINTE DR #2136 LAS VEGAS, NV 89131 3 702-788-6099 4 Plaintiff: IN PRO PER 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA 6 7 ELLERY J. PETTIT 8 Plaintiff(s) 9 Vs. CASE NO: 2:11-CV-00149-GMN-PAL 10 DEPT: 11 12 PULTE MORTGAGE LLC AND CHASE BANK AND CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC AND 13 IBM LENDER BUSINESS PROCESS SERVICES AND MERS (MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC 14 REGISTRATION SYSTEM) 15 Defendant(s) 16 17 18 19 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING 20 21 Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I, Rebecca Godwin, certify that I am over the age of 21 years, and not a party to nor interested in the above action. I certify that on February 3, 2011, I deposited for mailing via First Class U.S. Mail, with postage fully prepaid, a 22 true and correct copy of the Summons and Complaint in envelopes addressed to the following: 23 CHASE BANK 24 C/O JAMES DIMON, CEO 270 PARK AVE FL#12 25 NEW YORK, NY 10017

CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC 1 C/O GLENN J. MOURIDY, PRESIDENT/CEO 2 194 WOOD AVE. S. ISELIN, NJ 08830 3 4 IBM LENDER BUSINESS PROCESS SERVICE C/O AFEAL ASSUR, PRESIDENT 5 8501 IBM DR., BLDG 201 #2DD188 CHARLOTTE, NC 28262 6 7 MERS (MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEM) C/O PAUL BOYNANNO 8 1818 LIBRARY ST. #300 **RESTON, VA 20190** 9 10 PULTE MORTGAGE LLC C/O CEO 11 7475 S. JOLIET ST. ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112 12 13 14 Dated February 3, 2011 15 16 17 Junes Legal Services, INC 18 630 S. 10th St. Suite B Las Vegas, NV 89101 19 702-579-6300 PH Nevada Process License #1068 20 21 22 23 Subscribed and Sworn to before me, Matthew Kisner This __day of FEBRUARY, 2011. 24 25 Notary Public in and for Clark County, Nevada